THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (d) As on 1-12-1993, 39 awards of the cases referred to Central Government Industrial Tribunal between 1983 to 1991, have not been implemented by Bharat Coking Coal Limited. On merits of the case, the Awards have been challenged by way of Writ/Special Leave Petitions filed in the High/Supreme Court Since the cases are still pending, the legal expenses incurred in contesting the awards will emerge finally after disposal of the cases by the Court and submission of professional bills for individual cases by the lawyers.

Projects taken over by E.C.L. and B.C.C.L. in Bihar

1236. SHRI MD SALIM: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Barakar Engineering Works in Nissar (Dhanbad) has been taken over by the E.C.L.;

(b) if so, on which date and under what circumstances and grounds this has been taken over with details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Bihar Talkies in Jharia has also been taken over by the Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.; and

(d) if so, on which date and under what circumstances and grounds this was taken over, with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) and (b) Barakar Engineering and Foundry Works (B.E. & F.W.) in Nissar, Dhanbad District was taken over under Coal Mines (Taking over of Management) Ordinance, 1973 dated 30-1-1973. However, possession of BE&FW had to be handed over back because of stay orders from Calcutta High Court. BE&FW was, however, again taken over on 14-11-1986 under the orders of the Supreme Court.

(c) and (d) According to information furnished by Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL), Vihar Building Complex in which Vihar Talkies was located has been taken over by them on 26-6-1992 after the orders of the supreme court on 16-7-1992 permitting PCCL management to take over possession of this permises.

Judgement of the Ranchi Bench of Patna High Court involving BCCL

1237. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the judgement of the Ranchi Bench of Patna High Court dated 5-10-1993 in the CWJL member 2278 of 1993 (R) where the BCCL was made respondent;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether the Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. Management was present in the court and contested the case; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The case No. CWJC 899/89(R) relates to Industry colliery of BCCL in which 102 workmen were initially appointed as per the directives of the Ranchi Bench of Patna High Court and who were identified by Central Government Industrial Tribunal No. 1, Dhanbad. The case is still pending for the final hearing. In the meantime, another writ petition CWJC No. 2278 of 1993(R) was filed by the union praying therein that remaining 8 workmen also be got identified by the Tribunal. On 5-10-1993, the hon'ble High Court directed that the remaining 8 workmen in Ref. Case No. 49 of 1983 shall be identified by the president of the Union concerned.

BCCL contested the matter by filing Counter Affidavit.

Inadequate supply of instruments to Coal Mine workers in Bararee Colliery

1238. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the awards given to the workers of Bararee Colliery